Dear Sirs/ Madam

I am writing to you with concern about a proposal before the state legislature which would impact our children's safety. It is Senate Bill 259 . I feel this will do no good for the law abiding citizens but make things worse. It will benefit the illegal drug dealers. I am, in no way, concerned about keeping a tough law against drug dealers, so **feel free to extend that distance**. I don't break the law, nor do I sell or buy drugs. I do, however pay taxes and vote in every election since I became eligible. I'm now 60.

Get tough on the criminals, enforce the law and prosecute without giving any plea bargains.

The proposal would cut "drug free zone" areas from within 1,500 feet of a school, day care, or public housing complex, to within 200 feet.

That is ridiculous--- it's against the law to sell drugs as it is and it should remain a tougher sentence if the crimes are being committed ANYWHERE near our children. I realize laws need to be specific, but fail to understand why we are leaning towards the criminals in this case. Our current laws need to be enforced!!

Sincerely,

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